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U. S. Envoy to Thailand Asked About Aid Against Reds

U. S. Ambassador John E. Peurifoy faced the Thai press for the first time today. For a half hour he was questioned on whether he thought Thailand was strong enought to repel Communist aggression. One reporter asked whether the U. S. would "abandon Thailand as it abandoned IndoChina" if the Communists invaded. Mr. Peurifoy replied, "I doubt very seriously that my government would be putting in this country equipment and supplies with the idea of turning it over to some aggressor easily."